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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, enclosed please find a List, on a form substantially equivalent to Form PTO-1449, of documents cited in connection with a prior application of the above-identified application, that is, Application No. 10/216,720, filed August 13, 2002. Also enclosed is a copy of Japanese Patent Document No. 2001-345375, and English Abstract thereof, this being one of the references on the enclosed List.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the filing of the above-identified application. Clearly, requirements of 37 CFR § 1.97(b) are satisfied.

To the extent that the documents on the enclosed List are not in English, it is respectfully submitted that requirements of 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(3) are satisfied by the

English Abstract enclosed therewith.

In view of all of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all applicable requirements of 37 CFR § 1.97 and § 1.98 have been satisfied, in connection with each of the documents on the enclosed List. Accordingly, consideration of the listed documents, upon examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully requested.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	AB	4,693,781	9/15/1987	Leung, et al.			
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	AI	2001-345375	12/14/2001	Japan			X	

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	AJ	S. Wolf, "Silicon Processing for the VLSI Era", Vol. II, Process Integration, 1990, pages 51-54
	AK	TI's "Trench Technology Moves in the Factory", Electronics, July 9, 1987, pages 75-87
	AL	R. N. Carlile, et al. "Trench Etches in Silicon with Controllable Sidewall Angles", Electrochem. Soc. Solid-State Science and Technology, August 1988, pages 2058-2064
	AM	G. K. Herb, et al., "Silicon Trench Etch in a Hex Reactor", Solid State Technology, October 1987, pages 109-115

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